

Employee Wellness Fair May 22

Human Resources will host the annual Wellness Fair at the Civic Center on May 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.! Employees can make changes to current insurance plans, shop other insurance products, and see over 20 vendors that provide services in the northeast Georgia area.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity to make your health a priority!



Employment Anniversaries

Congratulations to everyone on our team celebrating another year of service to the residents of Oconee County! Thank you for making our organization an outstanding place to work and for your dedication to our community! We appreciate all that you do!

Information Technology

Paula Nedza 04/11/2005

Jail

Christopher Thompson 04/13/2015
Kyle Davis 04/09/2017

Joint Governmental Programs

Calbert Stephens 04/01/2011
Leigh Anne Aaron 04/01/2015
King Randall 04/16/2018

Law Enforcement

Jonathan Holden 04/13/2015
Samuel Smith 04/27/2015
Zachary Eaton 04/23/2018

Operations

Wanda Moody 04/23/2007

Parks & Recreation

Dylan Phillips 04/14/2015
Joan Postero 04/10/2017

Planning & Code Enforcement

Deanna Ruark 04/21/2003
Guy Herring 04/26/2018

Public Safety

Charity Bell 04/21/2003

Public Works

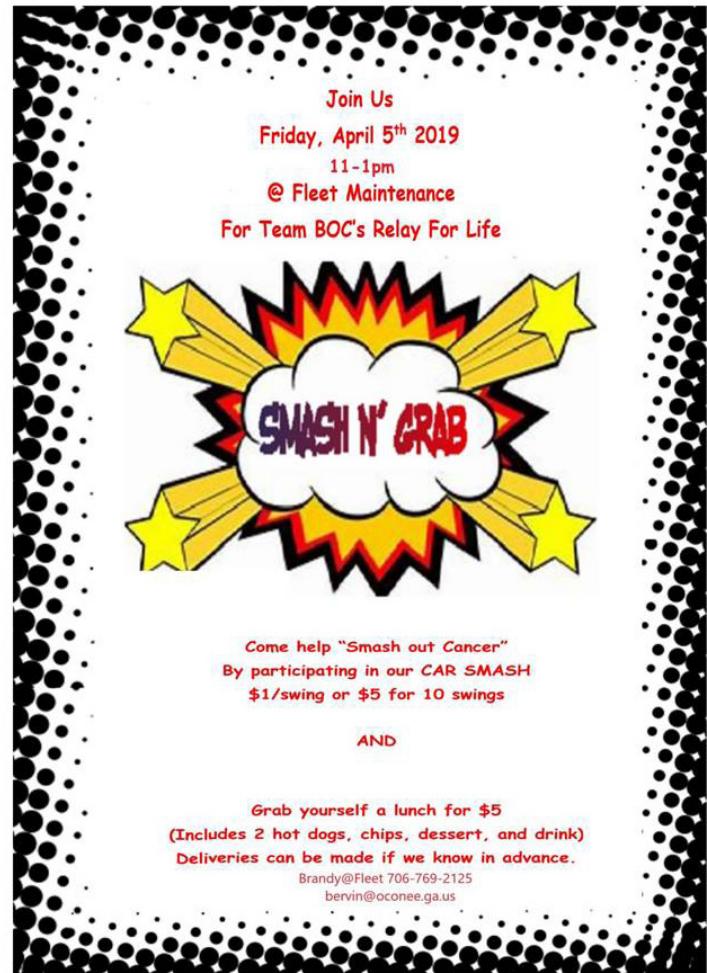
Dennis Chaney 04/23/2001
Vernon Craft 04/04/2003
Robert Hicks 04/04/2005

Water Resources

John Jackson 04/24/2017
Christopher Hart 04/13/2018

Relay for Life Fundraisers

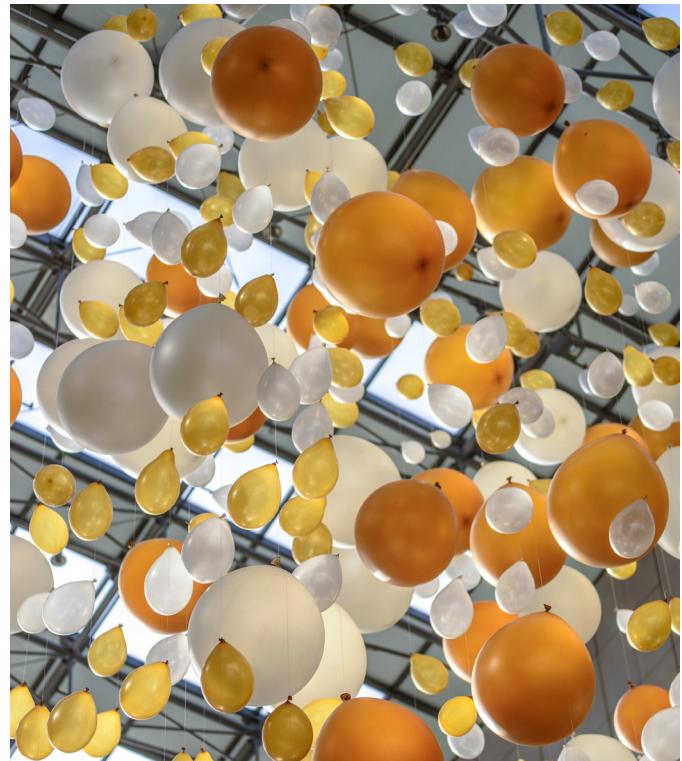
Support the Oconee County BOC Relay for Life Team by purchasing a team shirt! Shirts are \$20, and orders must be placed by April 15. Place your order during the Smash N Grab event on April 5, or email Brandy Ervin at brervin@oconee.ga.us.



Employee Birthdays

Happy Birthday to everyone in the Oconee County Government Family celebrating a birthday this month! You have our best wishes for a wonderful day, and we hope it's the start of a fantastic year!

Kenneth Coulter	04/04
Jennifer Elder	04/06
Hannah Meadow	04/08
Caleb Bar-Haim	04/10
Lisa Jackson	04/13
David Anglin	04/14
Gloria Batson	04/15
Kenji Dorsey	04/17
Carrie Hayes	04/19
Walker McNiff	04/20
Debra Watson	04/20
Allison Barnes	04/22
Jake Hayes	04/23
Trevor Turk	04/24
Brandy Crespo	04/28
David Sweat	04/28



Welcome!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest colleagues-- we are so glad you have joined us!!

Parks & Recreation

Breann Brown

Sheriff's Office

Preston Maxey

Notes from IT

We appreciate your attendance and great feedback from the Security Awareness and IT Policy meetings. Several of you raised concerns about how to handle thumb drive data from outside sources such as builders, engineers, and vendors. We plan to put a kiosk in those areas of higher traffic that will be connected to our wireless network so that you can scan the thumb drives before you copy them to your computers. Trainings such as this promote not only awareness of the ever-changing technological environment but also encourage conversation on how business processes might need to change.

A few reminders:

- 1) Don't click on email attachments or links without verifying it is okay
- 2) Don't copy a thumb drive without scanning
- 3) Don't plug your personal phone into your work computer
- 4) Don't open your personal email on your networked computer

Faces of Oconee County Government

Jake Hayes

Jake Hayes is a Wastewater Operator with Oconee County Water Resources. Jake has been with the county since May 2009, and joined the Water Resources team in 2016. Jake has also served in several roles with the Oconee County Parks and Recreation Department, including Summer Day Camp Counselor, Afterschool Counselor, Park Assistant, Assistant Program Coordinator, and Park Maintenance Crew Member.

“Jake is truly a pleasure to work with,” says Oconee County Water Resources Director Tim Durham. “He is a dedicated member of our team who is always working hard to achieve more. Jake does not meet a stranger, and he engages well with the public. Jake adds fuel to every project, and those efforts always lead us to success. Jake is among the best and brightest in the county, and he will accomplish whatever he puts his mind to.”



John Jackson

John Jackson is a Wastewater Operator for Oconee County Water Resources. John joined the county on April 27, 2017, and has also worked as a Maintenance Mechanic during his tenure with Oconee County.

“John is relatively new to wastewater treatment, but I am impressed by his hunger to learn more,” says Oconee County Water Resources Director Tim Durham. “His motivation to learn isn’t something you come across every day. With his determination – the sky is the limit. John has demonstrated an ability to conquer any task that you put in front of him, and he is an integral part of why our wastewater team is a success.”

Thank you, Jake and John, for all you do for Oconee County!

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